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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 21, 2003.

A Petition for a three-month extension of time, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and fees therefore are filed herewith. Please amend the application as follows:

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ This application qualifies for small entity status. 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- Additional documents filed herewith:

Request for Extension of Time & Check for \$950.00; and Request for Continued Examination & Check for \$770.00

Claims	Claims Remaining	Highest Number Prev. Paid		Number of Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total	3	20	-20	0	\$18	\$0.00
Independent	1	3	-3	0	\$86	\$0.00
		☐ Multiple Dependent Claims			\$290	\$0.00
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- A check in the amount of \$950.00 for extension of time and a check for \$770.00 for Request for Continued Examination are attached.
- Please charge any additional Fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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